MINUTES STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES Committee of the Whole Meeting Thursday, December 16, 2010

The committee of the whole of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (SBCJC) met at 6:00 p.m. at Huntington's Grill in Jackson and then reconvened at 7:15 p.m. in the Hattiesburg Room of the Hilton Hotel in Jackson, on December 16, 2010.

<u>Members present:</u> Mr. Bubba Hudspeth, Chair; Mrs. Patricia Dickens, Vice Chair; Mr. Duncan McKenzie; Mr. Max Huey; Mr. Bobby Steinriede; and Mr. Ed Perry.

SBCJC Staff in attendance: Dr. Eric Clark, Mrs. Deborah Gilbert, Dr. Debra West, Dr. Shawn Mackey, and Mrs. Missy Saxton.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bubba Hudspeth called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. He welcomed all board members and asked Dr. Clark to provide his report.

Dr. Clark began his report by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas. He reported that Dr. Edward Jordan, the Director of P-20 Initiatives at IHL, will be joining us at our Friday board meetings. Dr. Edward Jordan is replacing Dr. Reginald Sykes at IHL.

Dr. Clark will ask the board to consider three items for approval on Friday. The first request is to extend the contract with the Rhodes Group until March 2011. The Rhodes Group will make a presentation at Friday's meeting. The second request is related to the SBCJC representative on the Mississippi Public Broadcasting (MPB) board. Last month, Dr. Eddie Smith resigned from the MPB Board as the SBCJC representative. Dr. Clark plans to request that he be named as Dr. Smith's replacement. The last item Dr. Clark will request approval for is approving the job description for the position of Associate Executive Director for Academic and Student Affairs.

Upon the recommendation of members of the legislature, Dr. Clark will prepare a letter to be sent out to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and all members of the Legislature, stating our two main points: that we are historically underfunded compared to other educational entities and that our enrollment is booming. This letter will be based on comments that Dr. Clyde Muse and Dr. Clark made in several legislative presentations in December. Dr. Clark concluded his report.

Dr. Shawn Mackey reported that he is going to recommend an appeals committee to make a decision regarding the review of Virginia College's practical nursing program. This committee will be comprised of five statewide nursing educators that are highly regarded by their peers and have no association with Virginia College. Dr. Debra West will be the facilitator. Dr. Mackey feels that Virginia College would not challenge or dispute any of those people being on the appeals committee.

Dr. Mackey also reported that he would present the standard workforce report, the updated WET Funds report and the Grants report. He concluded his report.

Dr. Debra West reported that she will share the results of the advising survey that was conducted on behalf of the Education Achievement Council.

Mrs. Deborah Gilbert reported that she will present the following items at the Friday meeting:

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Attachment 1 is the approval request for General Fund 2298 Disbursements in the amount of \$24,929,521.00 for January 2011. This will require approval.

Attachment 2 is the approval request for the Education Enhancement Fund Disbursements out of Fund 4080 in the amount of \$2,472,508.00 and Fund 4110 in the amount of \$82,111.00, totaling \$2,554,619.00, effective December 31, 2010. This will require approval.

Attachment 3 is the cumulative reduction in Education Enhancement Funds. This is for informational purposes only and does not require approval.

Attachments 4a and 4b are the Financial Statements for Funds 2291 and Special Funds as of November 30, 2010. This does not require approval.

Attachment 5 is the approval request for the Indirect Cost Proposal. This will require approval.

Attachments 6a and 6b are the approval requests of Z-1 budget changes for the Administration Budget for FY 2011. This will shift funds from subsidies major object into contractual services, commodities and equipment. This is for ABE federal funds and will require approval.

Attachment 7 is the approval request for The Rhodes Group. This is the second amendment to the original contract. This will amend the terms of the contract to begin on August 1, 2010, and end on March 31, 2011. The total payment shall not exceed \$61,000.00 or \$7,500.00 per month for January through March 2011. This will require approval.

Attachment 8 is the Joint Legislative Budget Committee recommendations for FY 2012. This is for information only.

Mrs. Gilbert concluded her report,

There being no other business, Chairman Hudspeth adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Recorded by:

Missy Saxton Executive Assistant

Approved by:

Mrs. Patricia Dickens, Vice-Chairman

Dr. Fric Clark Executive Director